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In re Patent Application of:
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LOW
TEMPERATURE ANNEALING OF
METALLIZATION MICRO-STRUCTURES IN
THE PRODUCTION OF A
MICROELECTRONIC DEVICE

Examiner: W. T. Leader

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2006, please find enclosed a petition to extend the deadline to respond by three months, and please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.